



Tennessee Department of Education LEA Grant and Resource Opportunities

Strategic Priority Area	Topic	Tentative Grant Title	Tentative Release	Due Date	Amount	Competitive or Not Competitive	Match Requirement?	Additional Notes
Best for All	ESSER Planning	ESSER Planning Grant	May 21, 2021	June 15, 2021	Varies	Not Competitive	No	Grant to support planning and implementation work related to ESSER funds.
Academics	Tutoring	Connected Literacy	Early Summer 2021	TBD	Parent/ family grants	Lottery	No	Grants to families to secure tutoring services for 1 st – 3 rd grade students. Service providers can be districts, schools, teachers, non-profits, etc.
Academics	TN ALL Corps	TN ALL Corps LEA Grants	June 1, 2021	July 15, 2021	Varies (min. \$115M total)	Not Competitive	Yes	Grants will cover a specific number of grades and follow the students over three years. Grants are intended to target those students who are not yet at the Meets or Masters levels and should cover 25% of students in grade bands served. Additional grants will be made available to districts serving other grade bands.
Academics	TN ALL Corps	TN ALL Corps Partner Grants	June 1, 2021	July 15, 2021	\$21M	Not Competitive	Yes	Grants to community partner organizations to support after-school tutoring. Preference will be given to those partners with relationships with LEAs, charter schools, and/or EPPs.
Academics	Reading 360	Early Literacy Networks	Open	May 2021	\$40,000 per year	Not Competitive	No	\$40,000 yearly grant for two years (\$80,000) total for district PreK-2 early literacy implementation support providers and quarterly regional community of practice sessions.
Academics	Reading 360	Summer 2022 Advanced Literacy PD	Early Spring 2022	TBD	N/A	Not Competitive	No	Building off the summer 2021 literacy training, the TDOE will incorporate feedback and offer another round of PD as well as expand those sessions to include middle and high school educators in ELA, special education, and social sciences.
Academics	Reading 360	Ready4K	Fall 2020	SY21-22	N/A	Not Competitive	No	Free text-based app for families in Pre-K-3 for two years available for any district wanting to participate.

Academics	Reading 360	Decodables	Spring 2021	Fall 2021	Each K-2 student	Not Competitive	No	Free printed decodables for families to order directly to their home-7 for Grade K, 1, and 2 - supplemental videos to support family reading time.
Academics	Reading 360	Early Reading Implementation Support Tools	October 2021	October 2021	Early Literacy Support Network Districts	Not Competitive	No	Suite of extensive support resources for implementation providers, districts and consultants to use in support of Pre-K-2 early literacy networks.
Academics	Reading 360	Tennessee Foundational Skills Supplement	Ongoing	Ongoing	N/A	Not Competitive	No	Full set of digital, daily 60-minute foundational literacy skills lessons for Grades K-2 including decodables, sounds first practice, and systematic phonics. Ongoing videos and supports will continue to be added through Best For All Central.
Academics	Math Adoption	Math Implementation Networks	Winter 2022	TBD	\$50,000 per year	Not Competitive	No	\$50,000 yearly grant for two years (\$100,000) total for district Pre-K-12 math implementation support providers and quarterly regional community of practice sessions.
Academics	Math Adoption	Math OER	TBD	N/A	TBD	Not Competitive	No	A free set of supplemental instructional materials will be made available to districts, along with modules specifically geared towards statistics supports.
Student Readiness	Advanced Courses	AP Access for All	May 2021	May 28, 2021	No cost, allocated by LEA	Not Competitive	No	Opportunity for students across the state of Tennessee to register for online AP courses that are currently not offered at their home school. All costs associated with participating in AP courses will be paid to include course fees, educational resources, assessment fee, etc. Training and stipends will also be offered to teachers.
Student Readiness	Advanced Courses	National Education Equity Lab	May 2021	TBD	Allocated number of seats	Pending	No	External to TDOE, but an opportunity offered to districts in the state. Students in Title I schools would have access to virtual and asynchronous dual enrollment courses at universities nationwide. The cost would be \$4,500 per classroom of 20-25 students.
Student Readiness	Advanced Courses	Early Postsecondary Expansion Grants	Fall 2021	TBD	\$10,000 per school	Competitive	No	The focus of these grants is to increase equity and access for early postsecondary opportunities to all students in Tennessee. Priority is given to districts looking to expand equitable access, expand equitable participation, and strengthen educator talent.

Student Readiness	Advanced Courses	ACT Prep Courses	Summer 2021	TBD	Access to courses	Competitive	No	Students will be offered to take free online ACT Prep courses through UT Martin.
Student Readiness	Pathways	Work Keys	Summer 2021	Summer 2021	N/A	Not Competitive	No	All applicable high school students will have no-cost access to take Work Keys along with the ACT.
Student Readiness	CTE and STEM	Middle School STEM and CTE Grants	Fall 2021	TBD	\$10,000 per school	Competitive	No	The grants are intended to drive innovation in implementing middle school science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) and career and technical education (CTE) programs that will ultimately lead to increased opportunities for middle school students.
Student Readiness	CTE and STEM	Tennessee STEM School Designation Awards	August/September 2021	September/October 2021	\$10,000 per school	Competitive	No	These funds are given as grants to STEM Designated Schools to help incentivize and to offset costs of STEM equipment and help us meet Governor Lee's goal of tripling the number of STEM-designated public schools by 2022.
Student Readiness	Computer Science	CODE.org	January 2022	Winter 2022	\$80,000	Not Competitive	No	These funds are given as grants to K-12 educators that have attended training to teach computer science courses to incentivize and to offset costs ultimately helping to meet Governor Lee's goal of growing the number of teachers qualified to teach advanced computer science courses. The grants include a teacher stipend, a school stipend and a classroom set of materials for each participant that successfully completes the training.
Student Readiness	STEAM	STEAM Resource Hub	Spring 2020	Ongoing	N/A	Not Competitive	No	The STE(A)M Resource Hub includes three-times weekly challenges around design activities, critical thinking and career exploration that can all be done in the home. The challenges, created in partnership with TSIN educators from across the state, are ideal for students grades 3-12, but younger students can also participate with parental assistance. The STE(A)M Resource Hub also includes a portal for parents or educators to ask questions and receive additional support.
Student Readiness	Mental Health	Trauma Informed Schools and Districts	Spring 2022	Spring 2022	Varies	Competitive	No	A trauma informed school is one in which all administrators, teachers, staff, students, families, and community members recognize and respond to the behavioral, emotional, relational, and academic impact of traumatic stress on those within the school. This cohort is a two-year model that focuses unique needs of each school to incorporate training to develop an action plan specific to school needs.

Student Readiness	Mental Health	Mental Health Grants	Fall 2021	Fall 2021	Grants from \$100,000-\$250,000 per district	Competitive	No	Grants to LEAs to innovate and support mental health in their schools. Must meet the needs as outlined in the landscape analysis.
Student Readiness	Family Supports	Community Mapping Online Tool	Spring 2022	Ongoing	N/A	Not Competitive	No	Online tool and resource that helps schools and families identify and find resources in their communities, tied to student need.
Student Readiness	Special Education	IDEA Partnership Grants	May 1, 2021	Summer 2021	Up to \$100,000	Not Competitive	No	Funds awarded for activities identified through the need assessments during the LEA planning process. These funded activities are to drive systemic improvements that benefit students with disabilities.
Student Readiness	Special Populations	Special Populations Resource Hub	Spring 2022	Ongoing	N/A	Not Competitive	No	Online tool with resources for families with students with disabilities, as well as resources for teachers with SWD in their classrooms.
Student Readiness	Federal Programs & Oversight	Homeless Funding Supplement	May 2021	July 2021	Varies by district	Not Competitive	No	Additional federal funding was allocated to districts based on the proportion of students who are homeless that the district serves. Those funds must be used to directly serve this population of students.
Educators	Educator Pipeline	Grow Your Own	April 2021	May 2021	Varies by EPP (At least \$2M in total awards)	Competitive	No	Funds awarded to EPPs who partner with LEA(s) to develop a new pipeline of teachers for their local community. Round Two is for \$2M and applications were due May 7, 2021. LEAs must provide a letter of support or MOU with each EPP they intend to work with.
Educators	Educator Pipeline	Additional Endorsement	June 2021	July 2021	3 educators per district	Not Competitive	No	Funds awarded to EPPs who are able to offer endorsements for current teachers in SPED, ESL and secondary math. If EPPs apply and are selected, then each district will be able to select one educator per each of the three areas to earn their endorsements for no cost. This builds off of the current SPED Additional Endorsement Grant by adding ESL and secondary math.
Educators	Leadership Development	Rural Principal	October 2021	November 2021	Varies by district	Competitive	No	Year-long professional development cohort for up to 50 principals each year that serve in rural schools.
Educators	Leadership Development	Turnaround Principal	October 2021	November 2021	All priority school leaders	Not Competitive	No	Year-long professional development cohort for school leaders that serve in priority schools.
Educators	Leadership Development	Principal Supervisor	Fall 2021	Fall 2021	Varies by district	Competitive	No	Year-long professional development cohort for individuals who supervise principals.
Educators	Leadership Development	Diverse Leaders Network	Spring 2022	Spring 2022	\$6,000 per participant	Competitive	No	Educators of diverse backgrounds may apply to earn their master's degree in school leadership for free.

Educators	Leadership Development	Aspiring Assistant Principal Network	Spring 2022	Spring 2022	\$6,000 per participant	Not Competitive	No	Each LEA can select one educator to earn their master's degree in school leadership at no cost.
Educators	Leadership Development	TASL Academies	Fall 2021	Fall 2021	N/A	Not Competitive	No	Year-long professional development for beginning assistant principals, principals and supervisors. It is a requirement to advance one's administrator's license. TASL has been adapted into an asynchronous setting to better support candidates' schedules.
Educators	Recruitment	TN Teachers and Substitute Teachers Job Connections and TN Educator Job Board	Ongoing	Ongoing	None	Not Competitive	No	The department will continue with the TN Teacher Job Connection, TN Substitute Teacher Job Connection, and the TN Educator Job Board. The department will also launch a full-time staff member to facilitate a smooth process for out-of-state candidates looking to work in Tennessee.
Foundations	Assessment	Innovative Assessment	Late Summer 2021	Fall 2021	TBD	Not Competitive	No	This is a grant for districts to pilot early versions of innovative assessment items or systems, including field testing.
Foundations	Community – LEA Grants	Harvard Public & Religious Institution Partnership	Summer 2021	Summer 2021	\$200,000 (2 participants from district and 2 from community)	Not Competitive	No	This is a partnership with Harvard to support districts to feel confident in how to partner with religious institutions in their communities on school-related topics like literacy, tutoring, volunteer work, etc.
Foundations	Policy Tool	Policy and Legislation Public Tool	Fall 2021	Ongoing	None	Not Competitive	No	Online tool to support districts and school stakeholders with understanding statutory requirements, rules and policies, as well as receiving updates on the implementation of recently passed legislation.

Recent, Recurring or Completed Grants and Resources

- Summer Camps (grants, materials, STREAM, etc.)
- Transportation Grants
- Pre-K – 12 Literacy Implementation Network
- EPSO Test Fee Waiver (recurring)
- Innovative High Schools Grant
- Perkins Reserve Grant
- Turnaround Action Grant
- Consolidated Funding Application
- Governor's Civic Seal
- ELC Grant (\$175M)